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inaccessible as a whole that an intelligent and careful digest of the real facts plus a modicum from the mass of contradictory theories was sadly needed by the layman. It is true that Burrows' *The Discoveries in Crete* partially satisfied the demand, but the aridity of his style, the absence of illustrations to assist the imagination, and the failure to incorporate a résumé of Schliemann's excavations constituted serious gaps in his work for the general reader, while Mosso's *The Palaces of Crete and Their Builders*, though satisfactorily illustrated, contains a text of very slight significance. On the contrary, Baikie's style is eminently readable without ceasing to be sufficiently scientific, his illustrations are numerous, well chosen, and excellently reproduced, his previous book on the Pharaohs had given him special preparation for one aspect of the field, and he seems to have studied the authorities with diligence and care. As a result, *Sea Kings of Crete* will be a serviceable and handsome addition to any library and is not likely soon to be superseded.

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T. Livi, Ab Vrbe Condita, Liber IX. Edited, with introduction, notes, and vocabulary, by T. NICKLIN. Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1910. Pp. 170. 3s.

This is a useful edition of one of Livy's books which is in large part neither especially interesting, nor, except in its accumulation of insignificant victories, of great historical importance. The editor deserves credit for his consistency; he never aims above the heads of the youthful students for whom the book is primarily intended and does not cumber his introduction and notes with material which would not be of direct service in the interpretation of the text. In section eight of the introduction ("Hints on Translation") he does encroach upon the work of the teacher, and the long list of parallel passages from English writers would better have been omitted. The appearance of the text with its long pages rarely broken by paragraphs (the notes are at the end of the book) is somewhat forbidding, and the lack of page numbers might at times prove to be an inconvenience. The notes are condensed almost to a fault, and the grammatical element predominates; a little more general information, a little more help on difficult passages would be acceptable to those who will use the book. The vocabulary is marred by many incorrect quantities; otherwise, so far as it goes, the book is accurate. In the dearth of editions of Livy (excepting books i, xxi, and xxii) with English notes, it is particularly welcome.

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